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In re Application of:

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 30, 2004**

MAIL STOP RCE
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including December 30, 2004, in which to respond to the Final Office Action dated August 30, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the process fee of \$120 for a one-month extension of time is included in the enclosed check.

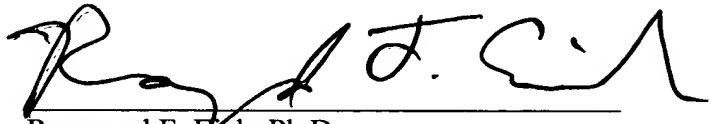
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Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Raymund F. Rich', written over a horizontal line.

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